(c) the growth in production during 1991-92 and the steps taken or proposed to be taken to set up a captive power plant?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Visvesvaraya Iron and Steel Limited (VISL) was taken by Steel Authority of India Limited with effect from 01.08.1989.

(b) and (c). The production and financial performance of the Company for the last three years and upto February, 1992 of 1991-92 is as under:

(Unit in tonnes)

Year	*Alloy & Special Steel*	*Mild Steel*	*Ferro Silicon*	*Profit (+)/ Loss (-) (Rs. in crores)*
1988-89	40,749	117	10,912	(-) 26.22
1989-90	56,049	9,475	11,383	(-) 2.80
1990-91	58,829	15,874	15,044	(-) 1.30
1991-92 (upto February, 1992)	43.914	32,482	15,419	(-) 4.02

The reasons for adverse working results are surplus manpower, high rate of power tariff and obsolete technology.

At present Visvesvaraya Iron and Steel Limited is examining various alternatives, including setting up of a captive power plant and tapping of power by participating in Karnataka State's projects, to augment power availability at Visvesvaraya Iron and Steel Limited.

Amount spent on Eatables in Indian Airlines Flights

6309. SHRIMATI CHANDRA PRABHA URS: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleases to state:

(a) the amount spent on chocolates, snacks, lunched and dinners supplied to passengers of the Indian Airlines from January to December, 1991;

(b) whether on account of security reasons there is any proposal to discontinue the supply of food in the flights:

(c) if so, when it is likely to become effective;

(d) whether it will have any impact on air fare; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Indian Airlines spent Rs. 21 crores (approximately) on food services to passengers during January, 1991 to December, 1991.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) to (e). Do not arise.

[*Translation*]

Telephone Connections

6310. DR. MAHADEEPAK SINGH SHAKYA:
SHRI BHUWAN CHANDRA KHANDURI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of telephone connections sanctioned for Shahdara, Delhi during 1990-91;

(b) the progress in terms of releasing connections under own your Telephone' scheme through Shahdara Exchange, Delhi during the last one year indicating the number of pending connections as on date;

(c) whether the said Enchange has declared some areas as technically non-feasible;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(e) the remedial measure proposed to be taken to make these areas technically feasible and the time by which these areas are likely to be covered under the scheme; and

(f) the details of assignments given to other exchanges operating under Shahdara circle?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Sir, During the period, 3791 telephone connections were sanctioned for Shahdara, Delhi.

(b) All the applicants registered under OYT category upto 30th June, 1991 in Shahdara Exchange area have been provided with telephone connections. However, in Yamuna Vihar area, there are 98 chases pending for want of completion of formalities by the applicants.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The required information is furnished in the statement below.

(e) and (f). A new 3000 Line RLU (Remote Line Unit) exchange in Yamuna Vihar area has been commissioned on 26.3.1992. Some underground cable work is in progress. All the technically non-feasible areas indicated in the Annexure are likely to become feasiblye by the end of May, 1992.

STATEMENT

Details of Technically Non-Feasibility areas in Shahdara

A list of localities in Shahadara exchange area technically non-feasibly due to non-availability of cable pairs is given below;-

1. Jyoti Nagar East
2. Ashok Nagar
3. Hardev Puri
4. Bhagwanpur Khera
5. Jagjivan Nagar
6. Mandoli Road
7. GTB Quarters
8. A, B, C, blocks of Dilshad Garden
9. Shri Ram Nagar